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## SPRING IN THE MOUNTAINS

The spring meeting of the Carolina Bird Club will be held May 9-11, 1986 at the Kanuga Conference Center near Hendersonville, North Carolina. The conference center is located on 1200 acres with diverse habitat providing excellent on site birding. CBC members in the Brevard area will host the meeting under the leadership of Jack Bronson.

Accomodations will be in a new motel type building and in renovated cottages. All rooms are double occupancy, but songle occupancy is available for an extra charge. All meals will be provided by the conference center with box lunches on Saturday and Sunday. Registrants who do not wish to stay at the conference center may obtain meals by advance arrangement. Reservations for accomodations including meals or for meals only must be made in advance by April 28.

### MEETING FEATURES

REGISTRATION begins at 3:00 P.M. Friday, May 9 at the Kanuga Conference Center

SOCIAL HOUR at 5:30 P.M. on Friday and Saturday to get better acquainted. Dinner is at 6:30 P.M.

PROGRAM on Friday evening by Dr. Bill Alexander of Brevard College on Waterfowl Behavior. Saturday program to be announced.

FIELD TRIPS are planned for Saturday and Sunday to prime birding areas including several which are not open to the public.

### DIRECTIONS

From I 26 take US 64 West (exit 18) to Hendersonville. Turn left on Church Street. Go 9 blocks and turn right on Kanuga Street. Go 4 miles to Kanuga Conference Center sign. Turn right and go 2 miles to the center.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

The following amendments have been proposed to the Carolina Bird Club By-Laws and will be voted on at the spring business meeting May 10 at the Kanuga Conference Center. Changes and new material are shown in brackets.

### Article IV. Terms of Officers and Members-at Large

(3) The term of office of the President shall be two [one] years [$]. An individual shall not have more than two consecutive terms as President.

(4) The terms of office of each of the three Vice-Presidents ahall be for two [three] years with no more than two [one] consecutive terms [$] for each. One Vice-President shall be elected, in turn, from each of the following regions:
   (a) Region I (Western North Carolina)
   (b) Region II (Eastern North Carolina)
   (c) Region III (South Carolina)

5) The terms of office for the Treasurer and Club Secretary shall be for two [one] years [$] with no more than two [three] consecutive terms.

6) The terms of the six Members-at-Large shall be for two years with no more than two consecutive terms. Two shall serve from each region (See Article IV, Number 5 [4] above). The term of office of one Member-at-Large from each region shall be on even years, and the other shall be on odd years.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS (CONTINUED)

[(7) All members of the Executive Committee shall continue in office until someone has been appointed or elected in his or her place.]

## HAVE A BIRDING QUESTION ?

As a new feature of our newsletter we offer the following question and answer column for Carolina Bird Club members. Persons with questions about North or South Carolina birds can send them to the Newsletter editor. We are fortunate to have Ms. Uropygial to answer reader's questions. Ms. Uropygial is a North Carolina native and the author of three books (one of them was even about birds and one of the others may some day be published). If you don't have questions send answers and she will write the questions. Our column editor reserves the right to edit to the point that your questions may not be recognizable. Space does not allow for questions about Christmas or spring counts.

Dear Ms. Uropygial:

Everyone always wants to find a bold face bird. Well, I've looked everywhere for one and no soap. I can't even find them in my field guide.

Still Hunting

Dear Hunter:

Bold faces are hard to find. The darn things are never where you expect 'em and almost always at an odd time of year.

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Dear Ms. Uropygial:

I don't have a Limpkin on my N.C. list. Where can I find one?

310 and Counting

Dear Counting:

You need a new list. The 1979 NC list has it on page 15.

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Dear Ms. Manners:

For the last four years I have been putting dead cats and dogs out on my vulture feeder. Well, the problem is that I now have so many vultures (both species) coming to my feeders that I spend most of my time driving looking for road kills. My family life is going down hill and so is my gas budget. Any suggestions?

Gassed out in Charlotte

Dear Gassed:

Even though you sent this to the wrong column, I will answer it anyway. Like most birds it is not necessary to feed them during the summer. Let them pay you back by catching bugs and insects. Dead animals found in the summer can be kept in your freezer until November.

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Dear Ms. Uropygial:

Which field guide is the best? I can't find anyone who agrees as to which one I should get.

A New Birder

Dear Birder:

Birders are no longer using field guides. Buy a life list and simply check off each bird as you see it. For North Carolina get a NC list, for North America I recommend the ABA Checklist, for Wednesdays get a Wednesday list, etc.

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WATCH FOR MORE LETTERS TO MS. UROPYGIAL IN THE NEXT CBC NEWSLETTER

## FALL MEETING REPORT

The Days Inn in the heart of the beautiful historic district of Savannah, GA was the gathering place for 130 CBC members January 31-February 2, 1986. Louise Lacoss of Hilton Head helped with refreshments and Libba Watson and Marcia Perdue did their usual super job with registration.

Dr. Bradley Gottfried of Armstrong State College almost had his doctoral study ruined by nest predators. However, he turned adversity into further research on the responses of breeding birds to nest predation. He reported on the results of this interesting study on Friday night. Dr. Chris Marsh of Coastal Carolina College (Conway) took us on a birding tour of Oregon Saturday evening through slides and facinating commentary.

The field trips on Saturday produced 142 species and a variety of adventures. One group was verbally assaulted by a local resident for walking through the dunes at Savannah beach. They had been directed on their route by Corps of Engineers personnel who were blasting on the beach. They also had to wonder a little bit about whether she had developed her environmental concern after her condo on the beach had been built. Another group at the Savannah NWR were treated to the sight of a beaver luring an alligator away from its home.

Wonderful seafood, excellent birding, interesting historic area, and good friends made for an outstanding fall meeting.

## RARE BIRDS

Did you hear about the Say's Phoebee near Lillington? No? Well, you haven't been checking the CBC Rare Bird Alert. The number is 704/875-2525. A quick summary of sightings is given at the beginning. Following the detailed reports opportunity is given for you to report on your sightings. For reports only you may call 704/875-6521 and Dick Brown or one of the Raptor Center volunteers will take your report.

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## REGISTRATION & RESERVATION FORM

Carolina Bird Club Spring Meeting, May 9-11, 1986

(MUST BE RECEIVED BY HEADQUARTERS SECRETARY BY APRIL 28)

NAME(S)_____

ADDRESS_____ CITY_____ STATE_____ ZIP_____

The charge of $40.75 per person per day includes accomodations and meals Friday dinner through Sunday lunch. Box lunches are provided on Saturday and Sunday. Accomodations are double occupancy, and there is a $7.50 per day surcharge for single occupancy. A deposit for the first night is required with the balance due on arrival. No credit cards.

#_____Member registrations($4) #_____Nonmember registrations($5) $_____

#_____Registrants x $0.75 deposit for first night _____

Single occupancy surcharge ($7.50) _____

#_____Meals x $5.00 (see below) _____

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CHECK PAYABLE TO CAROLINA BIRD CLUB $_____

Registrants not staying at the conference center may obtain meals at a cost of $5.00 per meal. Please indicate the meals desired below and include the total amount in check for registration.

| | Friday | Saturday | Sunday |
|---|---|---|---|
| Breakfast | XXXXXX | #_____ | #_____ |
| Box lunch | XXXXXX | #_____ | #_____ |
| Dinner | #_____ | #_____ | XXXXXXXX |

Mail to CAROLINA BIRD CLUB, INC., PO Box 27647, Raleigh, NC 27611

# Welcome New Members

ANN S. ALLEN
Raleigh, NC

SUZANNE T. BLUNK
Winston-Salem, NC

VIRGINIA T. BROWN
Brevard, NC

ELEANOR S. CARNELL
Wilmington, NC

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Columbia, SC

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## ** NECROLOGY **

CBC notes with regret the death of LEROY A. BROTHERS, Chapel Hill, NC

## Membership Application and Order Form

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone (___)_____(home) (___)_____(business)

ENTER/NEW MEMBERSHIP AS INDICATED

___Individual ($12) ___Life ($200)
___Family ($15) ___Patron ($50)
___Student ($6) ___Affiliate Club ($15)
___Library/Institution ($15)

*Make check payable to Carolina Bird Club, Inc. and mail to P. O. Box 27647, Raleigh, NC 27611.*

SEND MATERIALS INDICATED

_____CBC Cloth Arm Patch $1.50 (1), $1.25 each in quantity
_____CBC Decals (water type) 75c (1) 50c each in quantity
_____Daily Checklists 10/$1; 25/$1.25; 50/$2.50; 75/$3.75; 100/$5.00
_____Birds of the Carolinas $13.45 plus $1.25 for mailing
_____Amphibians and Reptiles of the Carolinas $13.45 plus $1.25 for mailing

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

CBC President John Watson has appointed a nominating committee consisting of E. Wayne Irvin of Raleigh, NC; Dennis M. Forsythe of Charleston, SC; and Rober C. Ruiz of Swannanoa, NC. They will report at the spring business meeting.

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